

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66559

Akira OOSAWA

Appln. No.: 09/988,658

Group Art Unit: 2621

Confirmation No.: 8995

Examiner: Christopher L. Lavin

Filed: November 20, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING ANOMALOUS SHADOWS

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
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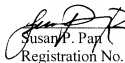
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of April 13, 2006 to October 13, 2006.

The statutory fee of \$1,020.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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